

**BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET
HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER**

AGENDA REVIEW	05/17/12
BOARD MEETING	05/29/12
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	ALL
DEPARTMENT	Mental Health
SUBJECT	Request Approval To Renew Two Existing Service Agreements for Drop-In Centers for Transition Age Youth Services for Fiscal Years 2012-13 through 2014-15
PROGRAM	DMH Transition Age Youth
DEADLINES	Fiscal Years (FYs) 2012-13 through FY 2014- 15
COST & FUNDING	The total annual contract cost for the two Agreements is \$ 500,000, fully funded by State Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenue.
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Board approval of the proposed actions will allow contractors to continue providing temporary safety and basic supports (e.g. showers, meals, clothing, referrals, and vouchers), as well as outreach and engagement to difficult to reach Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) and Severely and Persistently Mentally Ill (SPMI) TAY who would otherwise remain underserved. In addition, approval will allow contractors to provide uninterrupted linkage of TAY to a range of resources that promote stability and self-sufficiency to TAY throughout Los Angeles County.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	The two Drop-In Centers for TAY providers have existing Agreements with DMH which will expire on June 30, 2012, and are being renewed because of the ongoing need for Drop-In Center services. Planning, developing, and implementing an open solicitation process at this time would put the youth at immediate and imminent risk of losing temporary safety and basic supports (e.g. showers, meals, clothing, referrals, and vouchers), as well as outreach and engagement to difficult to reach SED and SPMI TAY who would otherwise remain underserved. Board approval of the recommended actions will enable DMH to renew two existing service agreements, with Pacific Clinics and Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center, due to expire June 30, 2012. The renewal of these Agreements will provide TAY continued access to temporary safety and basic services and supports in the “low-demand, high-tolerance” environments provide by these Drop-In Centers.
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